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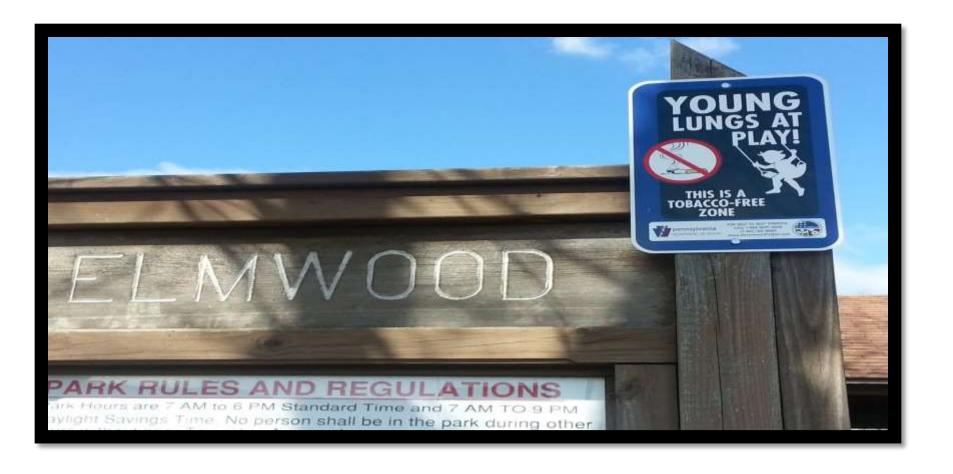
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#### Public Health Campaign

#### Secondhand Smoke



#### Young Lungs at Play

California and Rockland, NY

Tobacco-free parks, playgrounds and recreational areas

Health policy and environmental change



### Youth

- Educate local municipalities
- Increase visibility



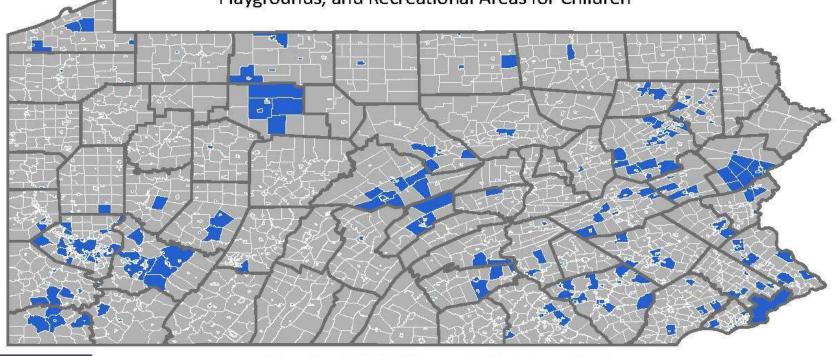
#### IMPACT

#### What impact did Young Lungs at Play have?



The Impact of Young Lungs at Play in Pennsylvania:

Municipalities with Ordinances, Policies, or Resolutions Banning Tobacco Use in Parks,
Playgrounds, and Recreational Areas for Children





More than half of children under 15 in Pennsylvania live in municipalities impacted by Young Lungs at Play (60.0%).

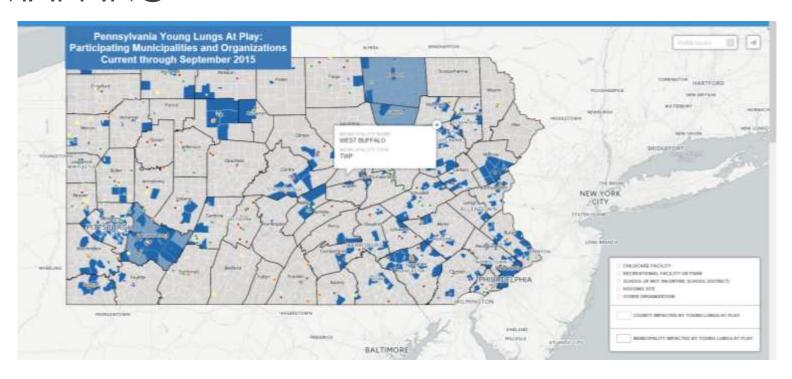
PA Counties

Municipalities impacted by Young Lungs at Play (n=303)

Other PA municipalities



#### MAPPING



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### HONOR ROLL

#### PA Young Lungs At Play Honor Roll

September 30, 2015

### 769 Pennsylvania Department of Health Young Lungs at Play Tobacco-free Communities\*

This Honor Roll recognizes the growing number of Pennsylvania counties, municipalities, youth recreation organizations and school districts establishing tobacco-free parks, playgrounds and recreational areas to protect children and families from the health and environmental consequences of tobacco use and litter. Young Lungs at Play is a program supported by the Pennsylvania Department of Health. To view this Honor Roll online, go to the Young Lungs At Play page on the Pennsylvania Department of Health website. Thank you!

#### Adams County - 9

Borough of Abbottstown

Borough of Gettysburg (Gettysburg Area Recreational Authority)

Conewago Valley School District

Delone Catholic High School

Fairfield Area School District

Gettysburg Area School District

Littlestown Area School District

Upper Adams School District

YWCA of Adams County

#### Allegheny County - 59

Allegheny County Parks and Playgrounds

Baierl Family YMCA

Borough of Aspinwall



### MEDIA





# LOCAL CHAMPIONS

### Municipal Policies – Low SES



### POLICY – Local <u>Champions</u>





### Community Partners



8 Regions

#### Community Youth



### Park Leaders – DOH Leadership







# SCHOOLS



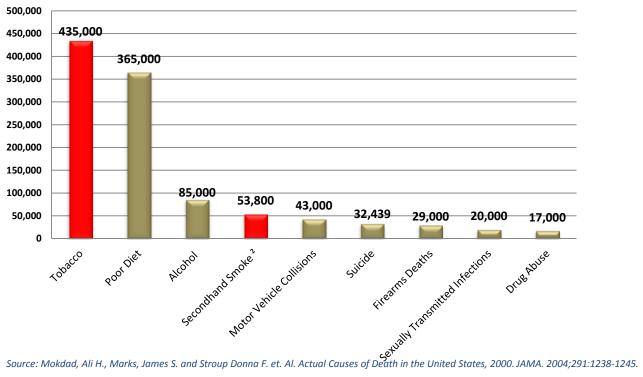
#### Tobacco is an environmental hazard!

4.5 trillion cigarette butts become litter every year.



#### HEALTH RISK!

Even when we factor in poor nutrition, tobacco remains the leading cause of preventable death and disability in the U.S.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Source: Glantz, Stanton A., How many nonsmokers does secondhand smoke kill?. Http://www.Tobacco.org/resources/Health/021022glantz.html

### Implementation Plan

#### **Educate**

- municipal leaders
- youth organizations
- Community Champions

#### **Develop Tobacco-free Policy:**

- Definition of tobacco
- Enforcement plan
- Communications plan

Implement Policy, present Signs and list on Honor Roll

Kick-Off Event





### Key Activity

Youth in leadership organizations educate elected officials, community leaders and policy makers on the importance of tobacco-free outdoor places where children play.





TRU's Vision is for all
Pennsylvania youth to be tobaccoand nicotine-free.

### Youth Advocacy



#### Toolkit



- Model Language
- E-cigarettes
- Media Events

#### ORDINANCE, RESOLUTION OR POLICY?

**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE** = **Strongest Statement** to prohibit tobacco use in parks and playgrounds.



#### LOSS OF FACILITY RENTAL INCOME "All or Nothing!"

Municipalities are concerned that a restriction of tobacco use will discourage people from using the parks; particularly facilities that are rented; resulting in lost revenue.

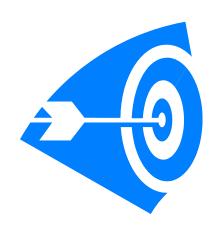
Additionally, councils could not rationalize how they would deem certain parks and events tobacco-free while hosting other recreation areas and events allowing tobacco use.





### Playgrounds

## Have Always Been Of Interest To The Tobacco Industry



"PRE-SMOKERS" term used in 1973 draft paper, written by R. J. Reynolds' research planning department <a href="Scripps Howard">Scripps Howard</a> 03/30/98

Seeing adults or other young people smoking or chewing tobacco in a family-friendly place, "NORMALIZES" the act of tobacco use for children.

**ADVERTISE** heavily at retail outlets near schools and playgrounds using large ads and signs clearly visible from outside stores.

#### SMOKERS' RIGHTS

People want to be able to "step away" from an area where children are playing - and smoke......discretely.



There are already too many signs that state NO:
No Skateboarding/Rollerblading. No Dogs. No Alcohol.
I don't want to put up one more sign that says "NO!"

#### Enforcement

#### Major obstacles

Primary concern - low income/financially distressed communities

Too few law enforcement staff

#### **Councils**

Concerned about arguments and ultimately police action.

The hope is that common courtesy would reign

#### **Cost** Free Signs

Costs - introducing new law, advertising law, enforcing law through police action.

We simply cannot afford to hire tobacco police!

#### Local government thinks they cannot afford the change!

#### Lancaster County: World No Tobacco Day 2013







### QR Codes

- Sticker placed on bottom of YLAP signs
- Links to "It's Like They're Smoking" commercial
- Commercial links to SEPA website
- LINK TO VIDEO



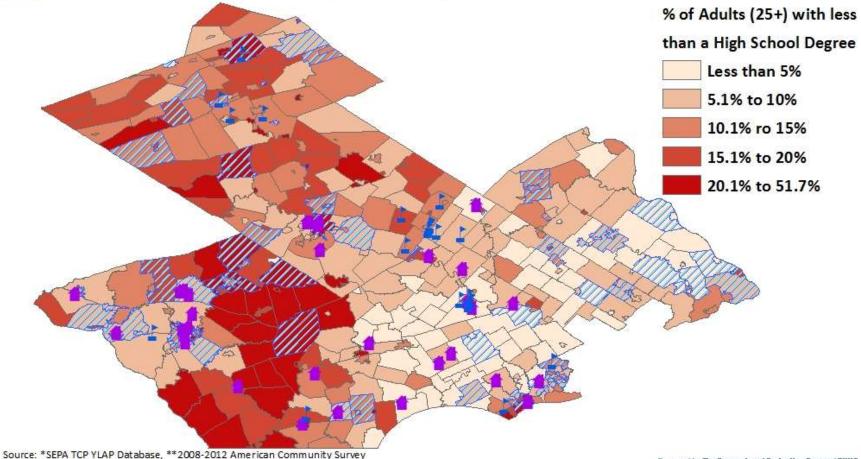
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# Municipalities, Schools and Organizations Utilizing Young Lungs at Play (YLAP) Signs to Promote their Parks and Playgrounds Protected by Tobacco Free Ordinances, Policies or Resolutions by Education Level

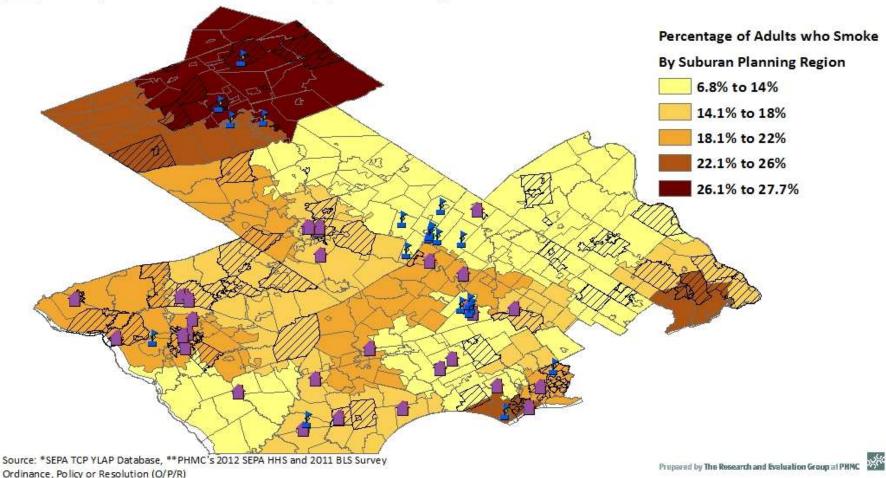
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Municipalities with Tobacco Free O/P/R and YLAP Signs\*



# Municipalities, Schools and Organizations Utilizing Young Lungs at Play (YLAP) Signs to Promote their Parks and Playgrounds Protected by Tobacco Free Ordinances, Policies or Resolutions by Smoking Prevalence

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### Multi-Unit Housing



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#### GOAL

increase the number of people protected by new smoke free policies in multi-unit housing

### Community Partners



Chester County

#### THANK YOU!



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